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CYCLIC OLEFIN COPOLYMERS AND  
THEIR USE FOR THE CONTROLLED  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2004, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.



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